**IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

**Listing of Claims**

(currently amended)A video server for distributing a digitized video content, comprising:

means for determining whether or not a video content requested from a terminal is stored in said video server;

means for transmitting a transmission request to another video server for transmitting said video content ~~in accordance with Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)~~from said another video server when the video content requested by the terminal is not stored in said video server, said transmission request being formatted according to the Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP); and

means for receiving the video content transmitted from the other video server, the video content transmitted from the other video server in response to the request being formatted in accordance with the HTTP, and transmitting the video content received from the other video server or as stored in said video server to said terminal, the video content transmitted to said terminal being formatted in accordance with multicast Internet Protocol (IP) ~~multicast~~.

2. (currently amended)A video server according to claim 1, wherein ~~:~~ said transmitting means further includes means for transmitting the video content received from the other video server to said terminal in accordance with the HTTP.

3. (original) A video server according to claim 1, further comprising:

means for storing and managing the video content received from the other video server.

4. (currently amended)A video server for distributing a digitized video content, comprising:

means for determining whether or not a video content requested from a terminal is stored in said video server;

means for transmitting a transmission request to another video server for transmitting said video content in accordance with Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) when the video content requested by the terminal is not stored in said video server; and

means for receiving the video content transmitted from the other video server in accordance with the HTTP, and transmitting the video content to said terminal in accordance with Internet Protocol (IP) multicast~~according to claim 1~~,

wherein: means, and a reference time generator;

said transmitting means detects a random access point in image information, and stores the image information up to the next random access point in one of said plurality of buffers; and

said buffer selecting means selects, from among said plurality of buffers, image information which as not been transmitted and has a time stamp equal to or

smaller than a reference time generated by said reference time generator, and indicates the selected image information to said transmitting means.

5. (currently amend) A video server according to claim 2, wherein~~:~~ said means for transmitting a video content to the terminal in accordance with the HTTP establishes a plurality of logical transmission paths between said terminal and said video server, and utilizes said plurality of logical transmission paths for transmitting image information.

6. (currently amended)A method of distributing a video content in a video server, comprising the steps of:

receiving an audience request from a terminal;

determining whether or not a requested video program is stored in said video server;

transmitting said video program to the terminal when the requested video program is stored in said video server, the video program transmitted to the terminal being formatted according to the multicast Internet Protocol (IP); ~~and~~

accessing by sending a request formatted according to the Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) to another video server when the requested video program is not stored in said video server to request said other video server to transmit the video program~~;~~; and

upon receiving the video program from said other video server, transmitting the received video program to the terminal, the received video program being transmitted to the terminal being formatted according to the multicast IP.

7. (currently amended)A video distribution method according to claim 6, wherein: the video program from the other video server is received in accordance with Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)~~, and the video program is transmitted to the terminal in accordance with IP multicast or the HTTP~~.

8. (currently amended)A computer program, on a storage medium, for distributing a video ~~in~~ from a video server, said computer program when executed causes said video server to perform ~~including codes for executing~~ the steps of:

receiving an audience request from a terminal;

determining whether or not a requested video program is stored in said video server;

transmitting said video program to the terminal when the requested video program is stored in said video server, the video program transmitted to the terminal being formatted according to the multicast Internet Protocol (IP); ~~and~~

accessing by sending a request formatted according to the Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) to another video server when the requested video program is not stored in said video server to request the other video server to transmit the video program; ~~in accordance with Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)~~ and

upon receiving the video program from said other video server, transmitting the received video program to the terminal the received video program transmitted to the terminal being formatted according to the multicast IP.

Claims 9 and 10 (canceled).